

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 94-764-E - ORDER NO. 97-90
JANUARY 30, 1997

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IN RE: Application of South Carolina Electric) ORDER
 & Gas Company for Approval of Industrial)
 Power Service Real Time Pricing)
 (Experimental).)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G or the Company) for a two (2) year extension until January 31, 1999 for Rate 27 Industrial Power Service-Real Time Pricing (Experimental Tariff) with certain modifications.

We would note that on January 3, 1995, this Commission issued Order No. 95-3, approving this tariff for a two (2) year period on a voluntary and experimental basis for certain industrial customers of the Company who met certain criteria.

On September 24, 1996, this Commission issued Order No. 96-662, approving the increase in the number of participants in the experimental tariff.

SCE&G now comes before this Commission requesting a two (2) year extension of time with certain modifications. According to SCE&G, this tariff will continue to be for experimental purposes and on a voluntary basis. The currently approved tariff expires

January 31, 1997. The Company requests that the tariff be extended until January 31, 1999.

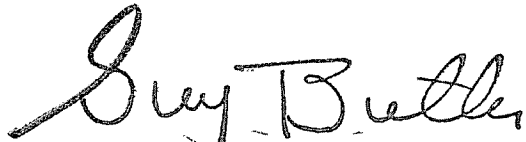
SCE&G states that it would like to include certain refinements in the tariff as well. These are as follows. First, a mechanism will be put in place to adjust the customer baseline for future growth. Second, a power factor correction will be applied to Real-Time Pricing Load. Third, a transmission charge will be added to all sales above the customer baseline. Fourth, commercial customers with a demand of at least 1,000 kW will be eligible.

The Commission has examined this matter, and believes that no notice or hearing are necessary, as the filing is in accordance with the provisions of S. C. Code Ann. §58-27-870(F) (Supp. 1996). Continued implementation of the rate does not require determination of the entire rate structure nor overall rate of return. It does not result in any rate increase to the utility. It would appear that no person or party could be prejudiced by Commission approval, and finally, the interest of administrative economy would be served by expediting regulatory review of this rate without notice or hearing.

We have examined the data presented to us, and agree with SCE&G. We hereby approve a two (2) year extension of the existing tariff, as well as the refinements to the tariff proposed by the Company. The Company shall submit ten (10) copies of the approved tariff to the Commission within ten (10) days of the Company's receipt of this Order.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until
further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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